YARN-A-THON

All area knitters and crocheters are invited to attend a charity "Yarn-a-Thon" at the Fremont Library on Saturday, January 17, 2009, to make hats, scarves, and mittens for those in need.

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Provided: Light morning snack, coffee*

Please Bring: Yarn (merino wool or acrylic), needles/hooks, and

favorite patterns (a few patterns will be available)

<u>Distribution:</u> Operation Blessing (Portsmouth), Fremont Food Pantry, My Brother's Keeper (Kingston)

<u>Contact Person:</u> Nancy LeCain, <u>nancy@lecain.net</u> or 895 9373. *If you plan to stay until 2:00, please feel free to bring a brown-bag lunch and beverage. Come and plan to have a great time!

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

The Annual Holiday Tree Lighting will take place on Saturday afternoon November 29th. Come one! Come all! The Parks and Recreation Commission invites children and adults to the Annual Tree Lighting at the Safety Complex on Saturday November 29th.

Bring your kids and grandkids to make holiday crafts while munching on holiday snacks from 3:00-5:00 pm in the meeting room. The tree will be lit at 5:00 pm followed by holiday caroling.

Refreshments donations always appreciated. Please call Renee King at 244-1404 for more information.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO FREMONT VOTERS AND ELECTION OFFICIALS

Election Day was a huge success for four Fremont Middle School Students who will be traveling to the Presidential Inauguration in January 2009. Fremont Voters had the chance to meet the students at the Safety Complex on Election Day as they entered to cast their vote. The students were overwhelmed by the generous donations and support that the townspeople provided. Because of the wonderful response, the students are much closer to their overall goal of raising \$10,000 before their trip in January. A special thank you goes out to the Town and Election Officials for allowing us the opportunity to participate in the process. It was a pleasure to meet everyone on Election Day. We will make Fremont proud as we witness the President of the United States take the Oath of Office. *Thank you* to everyone that purchased raffle tickets and candy bars or made a donation!! ~ Jessica Girardi – Emma Keane – Alexandria Tonas – Hannah Keane

REMINDER - MONDAY, 12/8, IS THE LAST DAY TO BRING YOUR HANNAFORD SCHOOL DOLLARS TO A COLLECTION BOX AT THE ELLIS SCHOOL, TOWN LIBRARY OR TOWN HALL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN

The Fremont Police Department is pleased to announce that the 7^{th} Annual Fremont Santa Claus Parade will be held on Saturday, December 20, 2008. The Rain Date for the Parade will be Sunday, December 21st .

The Parade procession is scheduled to leave the Fremont Safety Complex at Noon. The procession will run until Santa's Route has been completed. As in the past, Santa will be escorted around Town by Police, Fire, and Rescue personnel. The sound of sirens, and the sight of flashing lights will announce his arrival in your neighborhood. Children of all ages are invited to come to the roadside and wave to Santa as he makes his rounds. As always, Santa would not make a visit to Town without passing out goodies.

The Parade route is available on the homepage of the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov and is posted at Town Buildings.

TRICK OR TREAT FOR UNICEF

THANK YOU to all of the October customers at Village Market and Liberty Square Market who donated \$35.05 this year to the 2008 Campaign. Your donations have been matched by Nick

Kakouris, owner of the Fremont Pizzeria Restaurant! It's never to late to donate to UNICEF ~ just send a check, payable to "U.S. Fund for UNICEF," to U.S. Fund for UNICEF, Dept. TRDC, PO Box 98006, Washington, DC 20090-8006.

HOOD 2008 SOX TOPS

THANK YOU to all the households in our community who saved their Hood Sox Tops and "3-A-Day" milk caps for Ellis School. Your Sox Tops and "3-A-Day" milk caps were among the two thousand seven hundred and sixty five that got sent to Hood on October 30th for redemption!! A second THANK YOU is also extended to an anonymous donor who picked up the shipping expense of our submission, so that all of the money (\$138.25) can be spent by Mrs. Jackson to purchase team building equipment to use at the start of PE classes this Winter! The 2009 Sox Tops program will begin again in April, but please continue to save your "3-A-Day" Hood milk caps and bring to the collection container at either the Library, Town Hall, or Ellis School lobby.

BUDGET COMMITTEE & ANNUAL MEETINGS

The Fremont Budget Committee continues to meet and review budgets. Meetings are scheduled for Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm on December 3 and 10, 2008; and Saturday December 6 at 9:00 am for a day session.

The Town's Public Budget Hearing will be held on Tuesday January 13, 2009 at 7:30 pm; with the Committee convening at 7:00 pm to review any petition articles submitted.

Fremont's first annual Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday January 31, 2009 at 9:00 am. The snow date for the Deliberative Session is Saturday February 7, 2009 at 9:00 am. The Deliberative Session will be held at Ellis School in the gymnasium. This session is similar to the traditional Town Meeting, but is held earlier. During this meeting, articles can be explained, discussed, debated, and amended. The articles as presented or amended will be placed on the official ballot and voted on at the second session (March 10, 2009).

School District Meeting will be held at 5:00 pm on Saturday March 14, 2009 at Ellis School. The snow date is Saturday March 21, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

FREMONT PLAY GROUP

Happy Holiday everyone. Please note there will not be any playgroup on Fridays, Dec 26 and January 2. But in the meantime bring the kiddos inside to play and socialize. Plus meet other parents in Fremont and surrounding area.

Join parents and caregivers on Fridays 9:30 to 11:00 am at the People's United Methodist Church in downtown Fremont across from the Safety Complex (non-denominational group). Fun, relaxed environment to meet other parents and children. Toys, crafts and story time offered. Birth-preschool age children welcome. Free of charge for Fremont residents, \$2.00 for surrounding communities. No registration needed, just show up. For more information please contact Brinn Chute at 679-2275 or brinnmargaret@yahoo.com.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER

The 2009 dog license tags will be available beginning Friday, January 02, 2009. A current rabies vaccination is required for licensing and the Clerk's office is required to retain a copy of the vaccination certificate. You may call the office to inquire if the rabies certificate on file is still valid. Please be sure to license your dog(s) by April 30th to prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month. If you no longer have a dog(s) please contact our office so we can remove your name from the list. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30th. For your convenience, the license(s) can be mailed for an additional fee of \$1.00 per license.

LABELS FOR EDUCATION UPC NEWS

Did you know that many food items bought during holiday (and weekly) grocery shopping have a UPC that counts towards earning FREE educational items for the Ellis community? We are collecting UPCs from the following products (year-round): Swanson soup, Cambells soup, Cambells meal kits, V-8 juice and soup, Prego sauce, Pepperidge Farms bakery, goldfish and frozen items, and Spaghettios products.

Bring your UPCs to either a classroom collection box or collection boxes located in the School lobby, town Library or Town Hall.

WINTER PARKING BAN

The Winter Parking Ban is in effect from November 15th to April 1st. It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park a motor vehicle at any time contrary to any of the following provisions of this Section unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.

- 1. Within the Town of Fremont, from November 15 to April 1, no parking is permitted on any public street or any town-owned right-of-way, or in any town-owned parking lot between midnight & 6:00 am.
- 2. In the event of a winter snowstorm requiring snow plowing and/or removal as deemed necessary by the Fremont Road Agent, it shall be unlawful for any person having custody and/or control of any vehicle to park or cause the same to be parked within the public right-of-way, or on any public street or any town-owned right-of-way during a snow storm. Vehicles interfering with snow plowing or removal operations shall be towed at the owner's expense.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLES & CAROLS SERVICE

Please join us on December 24th, 8:00 p.m. at the People's United Methodist Church at the corner of Beede Road and Main Street for our Christmas Eve service. Our theme this year is "Believe Again", and with the hard economic times we are all facing, we all need something to believe in! We will have candle lighting, carols, and a message of hope. We look forward to worshipping with you! Dawn DiManna, Music and Worship Coordinator, PUMC.

ELECTION RESULTS

Presidential / State General Election Results for the Town of Fremont. For a full report of all Election Results, contact the Town Clerk during office hours at 895-8693.

President / Vice President

John McCain / Sarah Palin: 1,282 Barack Obama / Joe Biden: 1,006

Governor

Joseph D Kenney: 767 John Lynch: 1,396

U.S. Senator

John E Sununu: 1,220 Jeanne Shaheen: 946

Rep. In Congress

Jeb Bradley: 1,176 Carol Shea-Porter: 959

County Treasurer

Edward Buck III: 1,037 David E Ahern: 8

State Senator

Jack S. Barnes: 1,323 Chaz Proulx: 729

State Representative

Ron Nowe: 848 Tim Comerford: 1,030 Daniel C Itse: 1,111 Penn Brown: 853

Sheriff

Dan Linehan:1,392 David J Lovejoy: 693

County Attorney

Jim Reams: 1,170 Kevin L Coyle: 801

Executive Councilor

Russell Prescott: 1,088 Beverly Hollingworth: 910

Register of Deeds

Cathy Stacey: 1,225 Philip Nugent: 726

Register of Probate

Andrew Christie: 1,083 Debra E. Crapo: 865

VITAL RECORDS IN THE TOWN REPORT

Any Fremont Resident, who was married, had a civil union, or had a birth or a death in 2008 in a state other than New Hampshire and would like the event published in the annual Town report must send a letter of request and a copy of your marriage / civil union license, birth or death certificate to the Town Clerks Office. Any Fremont Resident who had an event occur in NH and would prefer not to have the event published must send a letter to the Clerk's Office requesting the event not be published in the Town report. All requests must be submitted to the Town Clerks Office by Friday, January 2, 2009. Please feel free to call the office at 895-8693 if you have questions.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Mary, Did You Know?, by David Guthrie & Bruce Greer will be performed by the combined Congregational Choirs from People's United Methodist Church and East Kingston Community United Methodist Church, on December 20th at 7:00 pm in the People's United Methodist Church Sanctuary. Following the program, refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall, where everyone is invited to join in the singing of some of our favorite Christmas carols. There is no charge for this, but everyone is encouraged to bring a food donation for our local mission, the Fremont Food Pantry. Please join us for good music and good fellowship. People's United Methodist Church is located on the corner of Route 107 and Beede Road, across the street from the Fremont Safety Complex.

COMMUNITY CAROLING TO SHUT-INS

Do you enjoy singing Christmas carols? Do you enjoy visiting with the elderly or disable? Then join your friends at People's United Methodist Church on December 13th as we travel around Fremont and Christmas carol to our Town's disabled and shut-ins. We will meet at the People's United Methodist Church, located on the corner of Beede Road and Main Street, at 1:00 pm to caravan to homes in Fremont. We end with caroling at the Rockingham County Nursing Home. If you know of a Fremont resident that is elderly or a shut-in that would enjoy a Christmas caroling visit, please leave a message for Dawn DiManna at 895-9879.

ROADS & THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

As we prepare for winter, please be mindful that the Town rightof-way extends generally 13 feet off the edge of pavement. In the winter months, much of this area is used for snow removal and storage. Do not plow snow across public roadways. Be sure that children do not play in snowbanks.

MAINT & REPAIR RFP - SAFETY COMPLEX

The Town of Fremont is seeking qualified contractors interested in providing maintenance and repair of entry door overhangs at the Fremont Safety Complex, 425 Main Street in Fremont NH.

Existing construction methods allowed for water penetration around entry roofing and siding materials; concern for excessive moisture and potential rot. There are a total of six entry overhangs being considered as part of this project.

Contractors are encouraged to view the building areas prior to making a proposal. Contact the Building Inspector at 895-3200 x 18 for more information. The full scope of work and specifications are posted at town buildings; and available at www.Fremont.nh.gov on the Home Page. You can also call the Selectmen's Office (895 2226 x 11) and have a copy sent to you, or send an email request to FremontTA@comcast.net.

Detailed proposals are due by 4:00 pm on December 9, 2008 and can be mailed to the Building Inspector at PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044; or dropped off at the Fremont Selectmen's Office at 295 Main Street in Fremont. See bid specification for full details and other requirements and information. The intended goal is to complete work prior to calendar year end.

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

There is currently a vacancy for Trustee of Trust Funds for a three year term through March 2011. The Trustees are volunteers, who are generally responsible for management, investment and reporting of the Town's trust funds, which are for general Town purposes (libraries, schools); Capital Reserve Funds, Town trust funds, and cemetery perpetual care funds.

A general information piece (compiled from current statutes) is available on the Town's website (home page under volunteer position openings).

Anyone interested in this position can contact Pat Martel by email at martel4@comcast.net or call Heidi at the Town Offices at 895 2226 x 10 to get additional information. Pat will return a phone call to you if you leave your phone number in the email, or leave information with Heidi or Jeanne in the Selectmen's Office.

If you are interested in the position, please submit a letter of interest, highlighting any pertinent background you have, including any financial experience. Submit a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120. The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

PEPPERMINT PONIES 4H CLUB

Do you love horses? If you are 5 – 18 years old, you are welcome to attend the next Peppermint Ponies Club meetings at North Road Farm, 370 North Road, Fremont, NH. You do not need to have experience with horses and the meeting is free to attend as a guest. Bring your family! The club meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month. For more information contact Jan Brubacher, Club Leader 679-3367, 303-1584 cell or i.brubacher@comcast.net. Visit www.peppermintponies4h.org or www.northroadfarm.com.